

19-655 Louisiana Special Education Center

The mission of the Louisiana Special Education Center (LSEC) is to provide special education programs and related services maximizing each student's potential toward successful integration into the mainstream of society.

The goals of the LSEC are:

1. Assure that all students at the facility will receive quality special education services through programmatic, functional activities.
2. Assure that all residential students at the facility receive quality intermediate care through programmatic, functional activities.

LSEC has three programs: Administration/Support Services Program, Instructional Services Program, and the Residential Services Program.

The Louisiana Special Education Center was established by Act 290 during the regular session of the 1948 State Legislature. The center is a special school under the jurisdiction of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) and is licensed as an Intermediate Care Facility for the Handicapped (ICF-H) participating in the Medical Assistance Program, also known as Title XIX (of the Social Security Act) or Medicaid.

The center is a small sized urban facility serving seventy-six (76) developmentally delayed, mentally disabled and severely orthopedically challenged residential students ages 3 through 30 years and currently 2 non-residential students residing in Rapides Parish. All programs and services are individually developed and delivered in a very "normalized" manner integrated with community interaction and involvement.

Our residential, community-based facility is a viable and essential placement alternative in the delivery of service options. In this context, it is of grave importance to recognize that there is a need for the Louisiana Special Education Center to serve as a vital place and purpose in the special education delivery model continuum. To this endeavor, educational practices and treatment procedures have been implemented commensurate with the most promising quality indicators germane to the students being served in a residential milieu.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 1999 - 2000	ACT 11 2000 - 2001	EXISTING 2000 - 2001	CONTINUATION 2001 - 2002	RECOMMENDED 2001 - 2002	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$1,417,700	\$1,641,436	\$1,641,436	\$1,773,204	\$1,734,778	\$93,342
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	5,456,894	5,480,041	5,480,041	5,836,901	5,932,047	452,006
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	5,592	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	0
Statutory Dedications	0	63,750	63,750	63,750	76,634	12,884
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	217,978	0	0	(217,978)
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$6,880,186	\$7,195,227	\$7,413,205	\$7,683,855	\$7,753,459	\$340,254
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration/Support Services	\$1,834,552	\$1,609,711	\$1,827,689	\$1,685,204	\$1,681,171	(\$146,518)
Instructional Services	2,225,912	2,750,914	2,750,914	2,928,265	2,918,115	167,201
Residential Services	2,819,722	2,834,602	2,834,602	3,070,386	3,154,173	319,571
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$6,880,186	\$7,195,227	\$7,413,205	\$7,683,855	\$7,753,459	\$340,254
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENTS: Classified	143	143	143	143	142	(1)
Unclassified	42	42	42	42	43	1
TOTAL	185	185	185	185	185	0

This agency's recommended appropriation does not include any funds for short-term debt.

In addition to the above recommended appropriation, \$77,296 will be paid in Fiscal Year 2001-2002 for long-term debt incurred on behalf of this agency from the previous sale of bonds. Total long-term debt service payments for the state for Fiscal Year 2001-2002 are reflected in the Governor's Executive Budget Supporting Document in Non-Appropriated Requirements, Schedule 22-922.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and/or the Teachers' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$ 67,243
State General Fund by:	
Interagency Transfers	242,234
Total	\$309,477